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MEMORANDUM FOR : Acting Chief, Security Section, DPD

SUBJECT : Metamorphosis of Project CHALICE

25X1A9a 1. [REDACTED] have made what seems to me like an excellent suggestion and one which I am ashamed to say we should have thought of ourselves: that since the word "CHALICE" has received an inordinate amount of publicity within the Agency and in some cases other Government Departments since 1 May, and since we are planning to move along with the remains of CHALICE in the [REDACTED] and possibly elsewhere under conditions which are strikingly different from our old mission, now is a most appropriate time to change the CHALICE name.

25X1C10b 2. You will recall that at one point [REDACTED] suggested that AQUATONE had become too popular within CIA, and it was for this reason that we changed the name to CHALICE. I would suggest that our change at the present moment be to a name which not begin with "CH", since through CHALICE, [REDACTED] etc., anything with this diagraph is automatically to be assumed [REDACTED]. However, if you feel strongly on this point, i.e., that a new name should begin with "CH", I will only object mildly, knowing full well that the bureaucratic gods of registry and applied security practices may dictate otherwise.

25X1A9a 25X1A2g 25X1C4e 3. I am aware that this move will require the creation of a new briefing form, and there may perhaps be other administrative changes that would eventually be required, such as renaming line items in the DPD budget appropriately. Yet I earnestly feel that the benefits to be derived from such a shift outweigh any temporary inconvenience involved. I should like to ask you therefore to move forward without delay to effect this change and notify me prior to its publication.

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